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The Honorable Nicholas G. Garaufis  
United States District Judge  
Eastern District of New York  
225 Cadman Plaza East  
Brooklyn, NY 11201

Re: United States ex rel. YNKDY-2 and James Gordon v. Shiel Medical  
Laboratory, et al., Civil Action No. 16-CV-1090

Dear Judge Garaufis,

I am one of the attorneys for the Relator in the above-referenced matter and write to ask permission to exceed, by one page, the 10-page limit on our reply brief filed February 14<sup>th</sup>. All parties have worked diligently to comply with the parameters set forth by the Court.

We have asked defense counsel if they would consent to this additional page and as of this afternoon, counsel for Jack Basch, Attorney Claud Millman, has graciously agreed.

We ask the Court for accommodation in this request, and we thank the Court for its time and attention to these matters.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Howard L. Pierce

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